

## Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 STATE 077164

12

ORIGIN EB-03

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 /004 R

66615

DRAFTED BY EB - NLPZDRAL: LMP

APPROVED BY EB - NLPZDRAL

----- 012396

O 052253Z APR 75

FM SECSTATE WASHDC

TO AMEMBASSY PARIS IMMEDIATE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE STATE 077164

FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY ENDERS

FOL REPEAT STATE 077164 SENT ACTION ABIDJAN APR 4

QTE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE STATE 077164

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EFIN, EAID, IV

SUBJECT: MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY SIMON TO MINISTER KONAN  
BEDIE

1. ON MARCH 31 SECRETARY SIMON SENT BY COMMERCIAL CABLE A  
MESSAGE TO HENRY KONAN BEDIE REGARDING ESTABLISHMENT OF A  
BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE OF THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. THE  
TRANSMITTAL OF THIS MESSAGE WAS A MISTAKE AND NOT THE NORMAL  
PROCEDURE. PLEASE SEND FOLLOWING OFFICIAL TEXT TO BEDIE  
UNDER COVER OF A NOTE FROM THE AMBASSADOR.

FROM: WILLIAM E. SIMON SECRETARY OF TREASURY,

1. AS YOU KNOW WE IN THE U.S. BELIEVE THE DEVELOPMENT  
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 STATE 077164

COMMITTEE HAS GOTTEN OFF TO A GOOD START AND WE LOOK FORWARD

TO THE JUNE MEETING IN PARIS TO PURSUE VIGOROUSLY THE SEVERAL IMPORTANT SUBSTANTIVE ISSUES BEFORE THE COMMITTEE. MEANWHILE, I AM CONCERNED WITH THE CONFUSING OUTCOME OF EXECUTIVE BOARD DISCUSSIONS IN THE BANK AND FUND ON THE ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET OF THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. I BELIEVE THAT THIS SHOULD NOT BE AN ISSUE THAT REQUIRES SUBSTANTIAL USE OF THE COMMITTEE'S LIMITED TIME IN PARIS, BUT IT IS NEVERTHELESS IMPORTANT TO RESOLVE THE BUDGET AND STAFFING ISSUE WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE.

2. TO ACCOMPLISH THIS IT WOULD BE USEFUL TO ESTABLISH AN ORDERLY PROCEDURE FOR ARRIVING AT INTERGOVERNMENTAL CONSENSUS ON THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE BUDGET FOR FY 76 BEFORE THE PARIS MEETING. ONE SUCH PROCEDURE MIGHT BE TO ESTABLISH ASUB-GROUP OF THE COMMITTEE COMPOSED OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MINISTERS WHICH COULD MEET TO DISCUSS THE BUDGET AND REPORT TO THE DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. THE COMMITTEE, IN TURN, COULD THEN EXPRESS ITS APPROVAL OF THE BUDGET TO THE BOARDS OF THE FUND AND BANK.

3. BY THIS DEVICE THE COMMITTEE COULD ALLEVIATE MANY OF THE PROBLEMS WHICH PRESENTLY EXIST AND PREVENT THIS ISSUE FROM BECOMING THE SUBJECT OF INTERMINABLE SQUABBLING AMONG BUDGET EXPERTS.

4. IF YOU WOULD FAVOR SUCH A PROPOSAL THE U.S. WOULD BE PLEASED TO SERVE ON THE BUDGET SUBCOMMITTEE ALTHOUGH THIS IS NOT ESSENTIAL. THE SUBCOMMITTEE COULD INCLUDE 3 OR 4 OTHER MEMBERS, SUCH AS, FOR EXAMPLE BELGIUM OR GERMANY FROM EUROPE, KUWAIT FROM MID-EAST, MEXICO FROM LATIN AMERICA AND PHILIPPINES OR MALAYSIA FROM FAR EAST. PERHAPS MR. AL HAMAD WHO APPEARED TO BE A LEADER OF THE COMMITTEE DEBATE IN JANUARY, WOULD BE WILLING TO CHAIR THE SUBCOMMITTEE WHICH COULD THEN MEET IN KUWAIT. ALTERNATIVELY, THE ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK WILL BE MEETING IN MANILA ON APRIL 24-26, AND THIS MIGHT OFFER A CONVENIENT LOCATION FOR A PHILIPPINE CHAIRED MEETING.

5. I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU IN ANY WAY THAT YOU LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 03 STATE 077164

MIGHT REGARD AS HELPFUL IN ADVANCING THE PURPOSES OF THIS IMPORTANT COMMITTEE. INGERSOLB

UNQTE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** BUDGETS, COMMITTEES, DIPLOMATIC COMMUNICATIONS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 05 APR 1975  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** MorefiRH  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1975STATE077164  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** NLPZDRAL: LMP  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** N/A  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** D750119-0306  
**From:** STATE  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1975/newtext/t19750478/aaaactdc.tel  
**Line Count:** 111  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Office:** ORIGIN EB  
**Original Classification:** LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 3  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** LIMITED OFFICIAL USE  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** n/a  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** MorefiRH  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 13 MAY 2003  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <13 MAY 2003 by izenbei0>; APPROVED <20 MAY 2003 by MorefiRH>  
**Review Markings:**

Margaret P. Grafeld  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
05 JUL 2006

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** MESSAGE FROM SECRETARY SIMON TO MINISTER KONAN BEDIE  
**TAGS:** EFIN, EAID, IV, (BEDIE, HENRI KONAN), (SIMON, WILLIAM)  
**To:** PARIS  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 05 JUL 2006